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Precautions taken at Hongkong during the month of October, 1905, for the protection of the public health of the United States, the insular territory, and the Republic of Panama.

Vessels inspected and granted bills of health.....	25
Vessels fumigated to kill vermin.....	0
Examined for diseases contemplated in paragraphs 29 and 67 of the Quarantine Regulations:	
(a) Personnel.....	2, 263
(b) Passengers.....	549
Required to bathe and undergo special examination:	
(a) Personnel.....	1, 581
(b) Passengers.....	1, 100
Examined for diseases contemplated by the laws controlling immigration:	
Aliens.....	552
Rejected.....	168
Baggage:	
(a) Inspected and labeled.....	39
(b) Disinfected and labeled.....	1, 877

Emigrants recommended for rejection.—Number of emigrants per steamship *Manchuria* recommended, November 7, for rejection: For Honolulu, 4; for San Francisco, 39; in transit, 14.

Reports from Shanghai—Inspection of vessels—Case of malarial fever on steamship China—Smallpox—Typhus fever and plague at Niuchwang.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ransom reports, October 24 and November 1, as follows:

During the week ended October 21, 1905, 4 original bills of health were issued to 3 steamships, 1 schooner, and 4 vessels; 161 crew and 2 cabin passengers were inspected and passed. The effects of 44 Asiatic crew, 64 pieces of baggage, were disinfected with sulphur dioxide, 5 per cent, for 18 hours. Forty-three of these men were members of the crew of the steamship *Winnebago*, bound for San Francisco, and 1 was a new member of the crew of the *Lowther Castle*, bound to Cebu. The crew of the sailing vessel, the *Polar Star*, were all Europeans, and were not submitted to disinfection. There was 1 case of trachoma in the person of one of the passengers on the *Polar Star*, which fact was entered on the bill of health, there being no immigrant manifests on board.

A report for the week ended October 7, 1905, from Niuchwang shows 1 case and 2 deaths from typhus fever. No other outports reported quarantinable disease present.

Shanghai and Chefoo have declared Niuchwang an infected port on account of the prevalence of plague there, and both ports have withdrawn their restrictions against Hongkong and Foochow.

Week ended October 28, 1905: Two bills of health, 1 original and 1 supplemental, were issued to 2 steamships, the former being granted to the United States battle ship *Oregon*, without inspection, upon the certificate of her medical officer. One vessel, 170 crew and 125 steerage passengers, were inspected and passed, together with 5 pieces of baggage, and there were disinfected 5 pieces of baggage. One case of fever, probably malarial, was discovered at inspection on board the steamship *China*, and noted on bill of health. Manifests were viséed for 4,158 pieces of freight, while 6 pieces, household effects, were